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IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Hans-Rainer HOFFMAN et al. Conf.: 3237
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For: RAPIDLY DECOMPOSING CHITOSAN-BASED
PELLETS

RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

January 29, 2004

Sir:

In reply to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 C.F.R. 1.121) dated January 15, 2004, the following Amendments to the Claims section is respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This Response includes Amendments to the Claims and Remarks.

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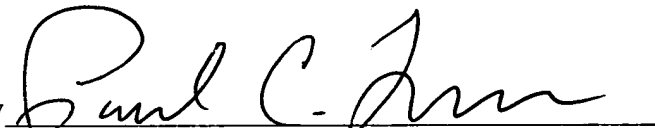
- ☐ Petition for () month(s) extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a). \$0.00 for the extension of time.
- ☒ No fee is required.
- ☐ Check(s) in the amount of \$0.00 is(are) enclosed.
- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. This form is submitted in triplicate.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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